Association of Retired San Jose Police Officers and Firefighters General Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2023

Meeting was in-person and via Zoom

Called to order at 11:35 am by President Ray Storms - Roll Call

Officers Present:

Ray Storms - President; John Shuman - VP Police; Larry Samarron - Treasurer; Ken Jacksteit - Secretary

Officers Absent: Walter Bugna - VP Fire

Directors Present:

Gary Johnson; Tim Miller; Joe Roberts; Don Bartels

Directors Absent: Jim Spence

Guests: None

33 members attended the in-person General Meeting

6 members attended via Zoom

General Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2023 - Action Taken

 Minutes will be uploaded to the Association website per direction of the Board of Directors.

Treasurer's Report - No Action Taken

- Treasurer Samarron provided a report on Account Balances and Income/Expenditures for April 2023.
- Due to health issues Larry could not follow up from last month's Board meeting regarding audits, opening an account with CommonWealth credit union, buying U.S. Treasuries and confirming the signatures on all accounts.

Reports from Committees - No Action Taken

Old Business - No Action Taken

- Bylaws change ballots. We received ten more returned packets due to bad addresses. Ballots will be picked up on June 7, 2023, by Ken Jacksteit and the ballots will be counted by the Board on June 8, 2023.
- There are approximately 500 members that we don't have email addresses for.
- Need a new Secretary. Ken is stepping down but will keep Membership duties.
- Jim Spence met with Federated and then with BRF. They discussed early retirees and the high cost of their medical premiums. Suggested an Anthem PPO for just CA in addition to a national PPO. They learned that there will be no RFP for Medical, just an extension for Anthem and Kaiser.

New Business - Action Taken None

Vice Presidents' Report - No Action Taken

- Police Shuman. Purchased ten tickets for the June 1st SJPD Chaplain fundraiser and distributed the tickets to the Board members that requested them.
- Fire No report

President's Report - No Action Taken

- Discussion on Ray's replacement. Ray has someone in mind who may be interested in the President's position. He will call that person later today.
- Four San Jose council members, Sergio Jimenez, Omar Torres, Peter Ortiz and Domingo Candelas as well as two former San Jose council members, Dave Cortese and Ash Kalra criticized SJPD and said it was profiling and racist. The SJPOA responded to this unjust criticism and the Board agreed with the SJPOA. The Board will keep this in mind during the next election cycle.

Adjournment: President Storms adjourned the meeting at 12:18 pm.